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Dear Harold: Nice to hear from you again. Your ability to pour forth books makes me feel very ancient. I am now in early stages of a work I expect to take all this year, an outline history of the postwar US inquisition, for which I was lucky enough to get a Rabinowitz grant. I am quite unable to work at your speed, but then I am dealing with history that is now irreversible whereas your theme is still alive and on the scales. I'm interested in your reference to a lively HUAC session you seem to have had in 1939. Would that be in connexion with the Nye investigation? Should you have any records of what happened, I think I could use them, and of course I would relate it to what you are doing now. There are not so many instances of heretics of that period who have obstinately continued in their heresy.

No, you didnt send me your last book, and I look forward to reading it.

The Guardian has gone very weird since the palace revolt there. My only US outlet now is Minority of One, which I admire in many ways but which chooses to be very harsh with Garrison. I know only what I read about and by Garrison, but I told Arnoni I didnt see the justification for attacking him at this time. The brawls between people trying to expose the JFK murder seem very sad to me, like the socialist-communist movement all over again. More and more the slogan seems to be, The enemy of my enemy is my enemy.

Re the coldness to your books in E Germany and Czecho, maybe we must conclude that these countries are now laying off strongly "anti-American" books as a matter of policy. There is quite an effort in that part of the world to blind themselves to the reality of the USA - a sad case of wishful thinking, I fear. The only one of my recent books which was never accepted in E Germany (and never published in any socialist country) was my deportation story The Frightened Giant. I recall that in Hungary 15 months ago I saw a tv film they had made on the JFK thing, which was much "milder" than the one I saw later in France.

Best wishes,

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